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SUBJ: UNCTAD-INFORMAL GENEVA PAPER ON COMMODITIES

REF: GENEVA 1465, ALLEN/BOERNER TELECON MAR 1

1. FOLLOWING IS RESULTS OF INFORMAL WORKING GROUP:
OPENING PARA: "WORKING PAPER DRAFTED BY A "GROUPE DE
REFLEXION" OF GROUP B IN GENEVA TO RESPOND TO THE FOUR POINTS
IN PARA 2 OF RESOLUTION L.58 OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMODITIES
FOR CONSIDERATION BY GROUP B DURING THE 7TH SPECIAL SESSION
OF THE TDB. THIS DOCUMENT HAS BEEN PREPARED ON THE BASIS
OF WORKING PAPER OF GROUP B CONTAINED IN DOC. TD/B/C1
(VIII)/CG/GRP 3 AND IN THE LIGHT OF THE EEC DISCUSSION
PAPER CIRCULATED AT THE AD HOC MEETING HELD IN PARIS ON
THE 24-25TH OF FEB 1976.

2. ID DOES NOT REPRESENT ANY AGREED GROUP B POSITION.
IT IS DESIGNED TO FACILITATE DISCUSSION WITHIN GROUP B.
PREAMBLE (TO BE DRAFTED AT THE APPROPRIATE STATE)

(1) OBJECTIVES.

CHAPEAU-NO CHANGE.

PARA 1-REPLACE "CONSISTENT WITH" BY "TO PROMOTE".

REASON: TO BRING THE TEXT INTO LINE WITH RES. 3362(VII)

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OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

-DELETE "AT THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE LEVEL" AND REPLACE WITH "BETWEEN".

PARA 2-THINK OF REPLACING WITH PARA 4(C) OF MANILA PROGRAM OF ACTION WHICH READ: "REDUCTION OF EXCESSIVE FLUCTUATIONS IN COMMODITY PRICES AND SUPPLIES IN THE INTERESTS OF BOTH PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS".

PARA 3-NO CHANGE.

PARA 4-NO DRAFTING CHANGE PROPOSED; TO BE CONSIDERED AS A PRIORITY MATTER. THIS ITEM COULD BE DRAFTED EITHER AS ONE OR TWO PARAGRAPHS.

PARA 5- FURTHER CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO BOTH THE USE AND PLACEMENT OF THE WORD "INVESTMENT" IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY POSSIBILITY RAISING THE ISSUE OF PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OF COUNTRIES OVER THEIR NATURAL RESOURCES. A POSSIBLE DRAFTING SOLUTION" TO ENCOURAGE ADEQUATE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMODITY PRODUCTION"...

PARA 6,7 AND 10-CONSIDER POSSIBILITY OF USING MANILA PAPER PARA 4(E), (F) AND (H) OR COMBINING INTO ONE PARAGRAPH AS IN PARA 5 OF EEC DISCUSSION PAPER. NOTE: IF PARA 4(H) OF MANILA PAPER ACCEPTABLE, THS WOULD IMPLY ACCEPTANCE OF A REFERENCE TO TRANSPORTATION.

PARA 8-NO CHANGE.

PARA 9-NO CHANGE.

ADDITIONAL POINTS FOR CONSIDERATION:

INDEXATION-SOME THOUGHT NEEDS TO BE GIVEN TO G-77 INSISTENCE ON MAINTENANCE OF PRICES IN "REAL TERMS". PERHAPS THIS COULD BE DEALT WITH IN DISCUSSING TECHNIQUES ON THE LINES OF PRICE REVIEW PROVISIONS IN RECENT COMMODITY AGREEMENTS (TIN, COCOA, COFFEE).

FOODSTUFFS-SHOULD SOME REFERENCE BE MADE (SEE PARA 2 OF MANIL TEXT)?

TERMS OF TRADE-NO REFERENCE IS PROPOSED.

THE PARAS COULD BE RE-ORDERED TO PARALLEL THE MANILA TEXT.

(11) TECHNIQUES-NO CHANGES PROPOSED AS LONG AS THE STRUCTURE OF THE PRESENT PAPER WOULD BE MAINTAINED. (ITEM 7 ON ACCESS AND SUPPLY TO BE FURTHER CONSIDERED AS A PRIORITY MATTER).

(III) COMMODITY LIST-NO FIRM DECISION ON A LIST OF PRODUCTS APPEARS TO BE NECESSARY AT THE STAGE OF THE TDB. GROUP B MIGHT THEREFORE PREPARE A FORMULATION EXPRESSING ITS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER ANY PROPOSAL ON THIS SUBJECT (I.E., LIST (S) OF THE UNCTAD SECRETARIAT, LIST OF THE G-77 CONTAINED IN THE MANIL TEXT).

(IV) PROCEDURES-FOLLOW-UP MACHINERY WILL BE REQUIRED. THERE IS NO SUPPORT WITHIN GROUP B FOR NEW MACHINERY. A STRONG PREFERENCE WAS EXPRESSED FOR USING THE COMMITTEE ON COMMODITIES. THIS WOULD STILL LEAVE THE TDB FREE TO RESOLVE ISSUES WHICH COULD NOT BE RESOLVED IN

THE COMMITTEE.

SUGGESTED TEXT: THE 4TH CONFERENCE SHOULD ENTRUST THE COMMITTEE ON COMMODITIES, WITHIN AN INITIAL TIME-TABLE TO BE DETERMINED AT THE CONFERENCE, WITH THE FOLLOWING TASKS:

(1) TO ARRANGE FOR A SERIES OF MEETINGS BETWEEN PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS OF SPECIFIC COMMODITIES OR GROUPS OF COMMODITIES, MAKING USE OF EXISTING BODIES WHENEVER POSSIBLE, TO:

(A) IDENTIFY ANY PROBLEMS RELATING TO EACH COMMODITY OR GROUP OF COMMODITIES, INCLUDING LIABILITY TO EXCESSIVE PRICE FLUCTUATIONS AND HAVING REGARD TO THE IMPORTANCE OF EACH COMMODITY OR GROUP OF COMMODITIES TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:

(B) DETERMINE POSSIBLE TECHNIQUES TO REMEDY PROBLEMS IDENTIFIED UNDER (A), INCLUDING ANY POSSIBLE FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS TO IMPLEMENT THESE TECHNIQUES.

(C) RECOMMEND ANY NECESSARY FOLLOW-UP ACTION-BE IT BY NEGOTIATION OF AGREEMENTS, ARRANGEMENTS OR OTHER MEASURES.

(2) IN THE LIGHT OF PROGRESS MADE AS A RESULT OF ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER PARA 1 ABOVE, TO EXAMINE MEANS OF FINANCING MEASURES PROPOSED, AND, AS FAR AS BUFFER STOCKS ARE CONCERNED, THE POSSIBLE ADVANTAGES OF SOME FORM OF COMMON FINANCING OF SUCH MECHANISM.

(3) TO INTENSIFY IRRESPECTIVE OF PROGRESS ACHIEVED ON INDIVIDUAL COMMODITIES OR GROUPS OF COMMODITIES, ITS EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE DIVERSIFICATION, PROCESSING AND LIBERALIZATION OF TRADE.

(4) TO EVALUATE THE RECENTLY IMPROVED IMF COMPENSATORY FINANCING FACILITY AND TRUST FUND AND TO CONSIDER THE NEED TO FURTHER ACTION IN THIS AREA. DALE

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